REMARKS

In the December 27, 2006 Office Action, the Examiner made a restriction

requirement, alleging that:

I. Claims 1-13, drawn to a method, classified in class 29, subclass 846;

II. Claims 14, drawn to a PCB, classified in class 174, subclass 256.

In response to the above restriction, Applicants elect, without traverse, claims 1-

13 of Group I as designated by the Examiner for continued prosecution on the merits. By

electing claims 1-13 without traverse, Applicants reserve all the rights to prosecute other

claims remaining in the application, in particular claim 14, in a divisional and/or

continuation application.

No fees are believed to be due in connection with this paper. However, if there is

any such fee due, please charge any such fee to deposit account No. 09-0458.

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